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### ILLINOIS, Northwest

ILZ001>002-007-009- Jo Daviess - Stephenson - Carroll - Whiteside - Rock Island - Henry - Bureau - Putnam - Mercer - Henderson - Warren -  
015>018-024>026-034>035 Hancock - McDonough

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Jo Daviess

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<b>Hancock County</b>									
Augusta	11	1544CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
		also reported by police/fire; dime size hail							
<b>Hancock County</b>									
Plymouth	11	1544CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
		Dime size hail							
<b>Mcdonough County</b>									
Tennessee	11	1555CST 1558CST			0	0	4K		Hail(1.25)
		Dime to half dollar sized hail							
<b>Mcdonough County</b>									
Macomb	11	1557CST 1607CST			0	0			Hail(0.88)
<b>Mcdonough County</b>									
1 NW Macomb to 5 NW Macomb	11	1613CST			0	0	3K		Hail(1.00)
		Dime to quarter sized hail covering the ground.							
<b>Warren County</b>									
Swan Creek to 1.2 NW Swan Creek	11	1625CST 1627CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
		Penny sized hail							
<b>Mcdonough County</b>									
Macomb	11	1657CST 1727CST			0	0			Heavy Rain
		1 inch of rain in the past 30 minutes with minor street flooding.							
<b>Mcdonough County</b>									
Colchester	11	1658CST			0	0			Hail(0.88)
		Dime to nickel sized hail							
<b>Mcdonough County</b>									
1.2 W Macomb to 4 W Macomb	11	1700CST 1705CST			0	0			Hail(1.00)
		Penny to Quarter sized hail.							
<b>Mcdonough County</b>									
Prairie City	11	1704CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
		Penny sized hail							
<b>Henry County</b>									
Woodhull to 5 E Woodhull	11	1712CST 1721CST			0	0	4K		Hail(1.00)
		Penny to Quarter sized hail rapidly covering the ground							
<b>Henry County</b>									
Cambridge	11	1723CST 1724CST			0	0	8K		Hail(1.75)
		Hail ranging from pea to golfball							
<b>Henry County</b>									
3 W Atkinson	11	1733CST 1737CST			0	0			Hail(0.88)
		Dime to nickel sized hail covering the ground at mile marker 25 on I-80. Time is estimated based on radar.							
<b>Warren County</b>									
2.1 SSE Greenbush	11	1735CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
		Dime size hail							



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### ILLINOIS, Northwest

#### Henry County

1 W Geneseo	11	1742CST			0	0		Hail(0.88)
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#### Henry County

6 N Galva	11	1836CST			0	0	3K	Hail(1.00)
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Quarter sized hail.

Scattered thunderstorms developed ahead of a cold front that moved through west central and northwest Illinois. The storms were essentially elevated in nature due to the lack of high winds at the surface. In most cases the hail was marginally severe due to the higher reflectivities aloft barely getting above the freezing level

#### Henderson County

Media	12	1433CST 1436CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
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dime size hail

#### Putnam County

Countywide	12	1606CST 1625CST			0	0	20K	Hail(1.50)
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An intense thunderstorm moved across the southern part of Putnam County producing hail of 1.00 to 1.50 inches. Hail was reported between Magnolia and Mc Nabb in the 1615-1625 CST time period by several spotters. Additional spotters reported large hail on Illinois 18 west of Magnolia.

#### Putnam County

2.4 SSE Putnam	12	1606CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
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2 minute duration just north of the Putnam/Marshall county line.

#### Henry County

3.4 WNW Atkinson	12	1614CST 1615CST			0	0	2K	Hail(1.00)
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Based on pictures from WQAD-TV web site.

#### Putnam County

Granville	12	1615CST 1630CST			0	0		Hail(0.88)
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#### Putnam County

Magnolia to Mc Nabb	12	1615CST 1625CST			0	0	5K	Hail(1.00)
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multiple reports

#### Mercer County

6 N Joy	12	1900CST			0	0		Hail(1.00)
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nickel to quarter sized hail

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Mannon	12	1900CST			0	0	5K	Hail(1.00)
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Nickel to quarter sized hail.

#### Mercer County

Aledo	12	1918CST 1922CST			0	0	5K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
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Trees and power lines down

#### Mercer County

Matherville	12	1925CST			0	0	5K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
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Trees and power lines down

#### Rock Island County

(Mli) Quad City Arpt	12	1948CST			0	0	300K	Thunderstorm Wind (MG93)
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### ILLINOIS, Northwest

#### **1949CST**

Measured gust from KMLI ASOS that was confirmed by FAA backup equipment. A Hampton Inn under construction on the northeast side of the airport was demolished and a nearby interstate highway sign was blown over.

NWS survey concluded a microburst occurred on the west edge of the airport. Considerable damage was done to a group of homes, outbuildings, power lines, and trees just outside the airport perimeter. The wind gust of 107 mph bested the old record wind gust of 81 mph at KMLI which was set on 21 August 1987.

#### **Rock Island County**

##### **Moline**

**12 1948CST 0 0 10K Thunderstorm Wind (EG57)**

Many trees were downed across the city. Trinity Medical Center on 7th Street lost all electrical power for several hours. Limited power was available for the facility through emergency generators.

#### **Rock Island County**

##### **.5 NE Moline Quad City**

**12 1949CST 0 0 10K Thunderstorm Wind (EG70)**  
**1950CST**

Limb from a tree went through the window of the Quality Inn.

#### **Henry County**

##### **2 NW Orion**

**12 1950CST 0 0 Thunderstorm Wind (EG61)**

Estimated 70 mph

#### **Rock Island County**

##### **Moline to Rock Is**

**12 1953CST 0 0 50K Flash Flood**  
**13 0100CST**

Thunderstorms trained across the Quad City Metro area and produced rainfall rates exceeding 1 inch per 30 minutes. Spotters, amateur radio, and the media reported numerous roads flooded out or cars floating. By 2015 CST KWQC-TV was reporting cars floating in parts of Rock Island. AT 2030 CST two reports indicated 11th Street and 14th Avenue in Rock Island was under water with 11th Street flooded in other spots.

KMLI ASOS reported 1.78 inches of rain for 12 March 2006 of which 1.66 inches fell during the 1800-2400 CST time period. At the same time, the KDVN ASOS reported 1.05 inches of rain for 12 March 2006. The heaviest rain occurred during the 1900-2300 CST time period in a narrow band in between the two ASOS sites. The highest know rainfall amount occurred in central Davenport where 3.50 inches of rain fell. The closeness of the heavy rainband to the KDVN 88D resulted in a severe underestimation of the rainfall. Rainfall estimates from the distant KILX and KLOT 88D sites indicate 3-4 inches of rain fell.

#### **Rock Island County**

##### **Silvis**

**12 1953CST 0 0 50K Thunderstorm Wind (EG70)**  
**1958CST**

A screen door was blown off with damage to a carport. Severe damage occurred to a car wash

#### **Henry County**

##### **1.2 W Colona**

**12 1954CST 0 0 Heavy Rain**

1 to 2 feet of standing water in a mobile home park. According to the spotter, this area is well known for having poor drainage during heavy rainfall. Time estimated based on radar.



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<b>Henry County</b> 1.2 W Colona	12	1954CST 1957CST			0	0	5K		Thunderstorm Wind (EG57)
Numerous trees down at the confluence of the Green and Rock Rivers near the Hennepin Canal. Some of the trees were observed to be unhealthy. Time estimated based on radar.									
<b>Rock Island County</b> Carbon Cliff	12	1954CST 1958CST			0	0	1K		Thunderstorm Wind (EG57)
flag pole down									
<b>Rock Island County</b> Illinois City	12	2006CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
marble to dime size hail									
<b>Whiteside County</b> Erie	12	2020CST 2022CST			0	0	1K		Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
wires down									
<b>Whiteside County</b> 2 N Morrison to 2 NNE Morrison	12	2020CST 2026CST			0	0	3K		Hail(1.00)
<b>Whiteside County</b> 2 S Coleta to Coleta	12	2048CST			0	0	3K		Hail(1.00)
<b>Carroll County</b> Milledgeville	12	2058CST			0	0	3K		Hail(1.00)
<b>Mercer County</b> Sherrard	12	2117CST			0	0	5K		Hail(1.00)
<b>Henderson County</b> 3 W Bald Bluff	12	2119CST			0	0			Hail(0.88)
<b>Henry County</b> Galva	12	2125CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
Delayed report. Time estimated based on radar.									
<b>Carroll County</b> Thomson	12	2130CST			0	0			Hail(0.88)
<b>Whiteside County</b> 6.8 W Morrison	12	2130CST			0	0	25K		Thunderstorm Wind (EG57)
15 power poles snapped at ground level on Frog Pond Road between Garden Plain and Hazel Roads									
<b>Carroll County</b> Mt Carroll	12	2155CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
dime size hail									
<b>Whiteside County</b> Prophetstown	12	2204CST 2220CST			0	0			Heavy Rain
minor flooding of lower streets									
<b>Stephenson County</b> German Vly	12	2212CST 2219CST			0	0	2K		Thunderstorm Wind (EG70)
The bow echo that developed and raced across Whiteside and Carroll counties caught the far southeast corner of Stephenson County. The apex of the bow passed right over German Valley and snapped off trees a few feet above the base									



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Warren County 5.2 N Monmouth to Alexis	12	2215CST 2220CST			0 0	2K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG50)
Winds estimated at greater than 50 mph from Lake Warren to Alexis.							
Warren County Kirkwood	12	2217CST 2220CST			0 0	2K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
limbs down							
Mercer County Matherville	12	2218CST			0 0	6K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
power poles and branches down							
Mercer County North Henderson	12	2220CST			0 0	6K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
power poles and branches down							
Warren County 1 S Gerlaw	12	2224CST			0 0		Hail(0.75)
Also, heavy rain and estimated 40-50 mph winds.							
Henry County Atkinson	12	2250CST			0 0	300K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG83)
A bow echo interacted with a surface boundary over Atkinson and produced a ducted downburst over a narrow path of about 1 mile. About 12 homes sustained varying amounts of damage with many trees either uprooted or damaged. An RV was flipped onto its side.							
At the Atkinson Grain & Fertilizer plant a 100 foot leg was torn away and dropped on the railroad tracks where it was hit by a slow moving train several hours later.							
Henry County 2.2 NE Atkinson	12	2252CST			0 0	12K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG78)
A bow echo moved across Henry County at around 52 knots (60 mph) and produced a downburst that destroyed a farm outbuilding (that doubled as a garage) and scattered it across a nearby field. Time estimated based on radar.							
Henry County Annawan	12	2259CST			0 0		Hail(0.88)
Also heavy rain; truck struck by lightning							
Bureau County Walnut	12	2305CST 2309CST			0 0	3K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG57)
branches a couple of inches in diameter down across the town							
Bureau County 3 E Walnut	12	2308CST 2312CST			0 0	1K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG61)
A door was blown off a barn. Time estimated based on radar.							
Bureau County 1 NW Princeton	12	2320CST			0 0	2K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG57)
power pole down on Backbone Rd							
Putnam County Mc Nabb	12	2350CST			0 0		Hail(0.88)



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#### **McDonough County**

**Adair**      **13**      **0015CST**           **0**      **0**      **1K**      **Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)**  
Power poles were downed near Adair.

A strong spring storm system moved from the central Plains into the Great Lakes region from 12 March to 13 March 2006. An initial low level jet of 30-40 knots increased to 40-50 knots after sunset on 12 March which increased the available moisture for thunderstorms and heavy rain development.

A series of upper level disturbances developed waves of thunderstorms during the afternoon and overnight hours along and north of the warm front. Low freezing and wet bulb zero levels north of the warm front resulted in the storms being prolific hail producers. Outflow boundaries left over from the initial thunderstorm waves combined with the northward moving warm front provided the focus for locally heavy rainfall that lead to flash flooding in the Quad Cities metropolitan area.

**ILZ024>026-034>035**      **Mercer - Henderson - Warren - Hancock - McDonough**  
**21**      **0200CST**           **0**      **0**      **10K**      **Winter Weather**  
**1200CST**

Also from Co-op observers

An early Spring winter storm moved from the central Plains into the Ohio Valley from 20 March to 21 March 2006. An initially dry atmosphere precluded precipitation from reaching the ground but once saturation had occurred, snow broke out over southeast Iowa, west central Illinois, and far northeast Missouri in a 3-5 hour time period. Most of the snow had fallen by sunrise on 21 March. Snowfall amounts were generally 2-4 inches from Interstate 80 down to U.S. 34 with 4-6 inches from U.S. 34 on south. Mesoscale forcing during the morning of 21 March allowed for a band of 4-6 inch snowfall to occur along a line from Oskaloosa, Iowa to Galva, Illinois.

#### **Hancock County**

**3.5 S Sutter**      **30**      **2030CST**           **0**      **0**      **0.50K**      **Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)**  
Branches several inches in diameter downed.

A strong spring storm system produced two separate squall lines that moved through northern Missouri, southeast Iowa, and west central Illinois. The first squall line produced marginally severe winds in Hancock County south of Sutter. The second squall line produced severe winds in Scotland County at Memphis. Several reports of nonsevere thunderstorm winds of 43 to 48 knots (50 to 55 mph) were received from spotters or observed by AWOS/ASOS stations across northeast Missouri, southeast Iowa, and west central Illinois. Half inch hail was reported 2.5 miles south of Warsaw in Hancock County at 2152-2153 CST

### IOWA, East Central and Southeast

**IAZ053>054-063>068-076>078-087>089-098>099**      **Jones - Jackson - Iowa - Johnson - Cedar - Clinton - Muscatine - Scott - Keokuk - Washington - Louisa - Jefferson - Henry - Des Moines - Van Buren - Lee**  
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**IAZ040>042**

**Buchanan - Delaware - Dubuque**

<b>05</b>	<b>0830CST 1430CST</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6K</b>	<b>Winter Weather</b>
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**Iowa County**

<b>1 SW Conroy</b>	<b>08 1752CST 1753CST</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Hail(0.88)</b>
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**Cedar County**

<b>1 NE Lime City</b>	<b>08 1848CST</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Hail(0.88)</b>
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Dime to nickel sized hail

**Jefferson County**

<b>Fairfield</b>	<b>08 1926CST 1928CST</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Hail(0.88)</b>
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Penny to nickel sized hail

**Jefferson County**

<b>Libertyville</b>	<b>08 1927CST</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5K</b>	<b>Hail(1.00)</b>
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Hail estimated at 1 inch

**Van Buren County**

<b>3 WNW Birmingham</b>	<b>08 1930CST</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Hail(0.88)</b>
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Dime to nickel sized hail for 5 minutes.

**Henry County**

<b>Mt Pleasant</b>	<b>08 1959CST 2000CST</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Hail(0.88)</b>
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Nickel hail from unknown source





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					Killed	Injured	Property	Crops	

### IOWA, East Central and Southeast

#### Henry County

Mt Union	08	2005CST 2010CST			0	0			Hail(0.88)
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Hail for a 10 minute duration. Best estimates indicate that severe hail of penny to nickel size fell for close to 5 minutes in the 2005-2010 CST time period.

#### Henry County

Mt Union	08	2011CST			0	0	0.20K		Thunderstorm Wind (MG54)
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Public report of measured 54 knot (62 mph) wind gust that downed some branches in the town of Mt. Union. Radar data suggests a downburst occurred in the forward flank downdraft of the storm.

An early spring storm system brought the first severe storms of the season to the area. A strong low level jet pushed air over a warm front across northern Missouri causing elevated thunderstorms developed between the warm front and a convergence line that ran from northern Missouri into southeast Wisconsin. Since the storms were elevated all but one of the severe reports were hail. One downburst did occur in the town of Mt. Union, Iowa that caused tree damage.

#### Van Buren County

5.1 WSW Birmingham	12	1403CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
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dime size hail; estimated 40 to 50 mph winds

#### Louisa County

4 SE Wapello	12	1500CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
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#### Scott County

Davenport	12	1530CST 2350CST			0	0			Heavy Rain
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3.50 inches of rain in 8 hours.

#### Jefferson County

Packwood	12	1636CST 1637CST			0	0			Funnel Cloud
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Funnel cloud off to the south

#### Jones County

Anamosa	12	1656CST 1658CST			0	0	10K		Hail(0.88)
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Wind driven hail damaged some cars

#### Cedar County

Lowden	12	1714CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
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from co-op observer; dime size hail

#### Van Buren County

Countywide	12	1742CST 1755CST			0	0	15K		Hail(1.75)
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Hail ranging from 1.00 inch (quarter) to 1.75 inch (golfball) fell from Keosauqua northeast to the Van Buren/Henry county line from a supercell. Trained spotters, the emergency manager, and the Keosauqua co-operative observer reported 1.00-1.75 inch hail covering the ground in Keosauqua around 1745 CST. One inch hail occurred in Utica during the 1750-1754 CST time period along with heavy rain.

#### Van Buren County

Keosauqua	12	1742CST 1746CST			0	0	30K		Hail(1.75)
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Emergency manager's truck damaged. There is probable unknown damage to residences and cars in town as well.



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### IOWA, East Central and Southeast

#### Henry County Countywide

12	1800CST 1828CST	0	0	20K	Hail(2.00)
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The supercell from Van Buren County moved into Henry County and continued into northwest Des Moines county and then into Louisa county and produced hail ranging from .88 inch (nickel) to 2.00 inches. Hail of 1.75 to 2.00 inches fell south of Mt Pleasant with confirmed hail of at least 1.25 inches in the city of Mt Pleasant.

#### Henry County

##### 1 SE Hillsboro

12	1800CST	0	0		Hail(0.88)
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#### Van Buren County

##### Utica

12	1800CST	0	0	5K	Hail(1.00)
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#### Van Buren County

##### Utica

12	1800CST	0	0		Heavy Rain
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3 feet of water in fields

#### Henry County

##### 8 S Mt Pleasant

12	1807CST	0	0		Hail(2.00)
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Tennis ball sized hail was reported to be breaking windows on cars.

#### Henry County

##### Salem

12	1807CST	0	0		Hail(0.88)
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#### Henry County

##### Mt Pleasant

12	1810CST 1828CST	0	0	100K	Hail(1.25)
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Also reported by spotters. A WQAD-TV weather spotter (John and Alice Held) in Mt Pleasant took a picture of the hail with a quarter placed beside it as a size reference. Hail sizes in Mt Pleasant ranged from 0.70 inches (dime) to 1.25 inches.

#### Des Moines County

##### Countywide

12	1824CST	0	0	10K	Hail(1.00)
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The supercell from Henry County Iowa clipped the northwest corner of Des Moines county producing severe hail. The only hail report was north of Yarmouth where 1 inch hail was observed during the 1823-26 CST time period.

#### Des Moines County

##### 1.5 N Yarmouth

12	1824CST	0	0	3K	Hail(1.00)
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Also heavy rain

#### Henry County

##### Mt Union

12	1828CST	0	0	10K	Hail(1.00)
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dime to quarter size hail

#### Louisa County

##### Countywide

12	1833CST	0	0	15K	Hail(1.75)
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The supercell entered Louisa county from northwest Des Moines and Henry counties producing hail up to 1.75 inches (golfball). Morning Sun saw 1.75 inch hail around 1833 CST. After passing over Morning Sun, the supercell appeared to fall apart with no additional hail reports being received.



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### IOWA, East Central and Southeast

#### Louisa County

Morning Sun	12	1833CST			0	0	30K	Hail(1.75)
At the fire station								

#### Henry County

1 SE New London	12	1912CST			0	0		Hail(0.88)
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#### Des Moines County

Pleasantgrove	12	1917CST			0	0	5K	Hail(1.00)
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#### Des Moines County

Yarmouth	12	1919CST			0	0	5K	Hail(1.00)
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#### Van Buren County

Douds to Leando	12	1930CST			0	0	6K	Hail(1.00)
hail damage to a car								

#### Scott County

Davenport	12	1933CST 1945CST			0	0		Heavy Rain
Street flooding at Bridge and East 37th								

#### Louisa County

2 S Wapello	12	1936CST			0	0	5K	Hail(1.00)
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#### Jefferson County

3 E Fairfield	12	1937CST 1939CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
dime size hail								

#### Scott County

Walcott	12	1937CST 1939CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
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#### Scott County

Bettendorf to Davenport	12 13	1953CST 0100CST			0	0	400K	Flash Flood
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Thunderstorms trained across the Quad City Metro area and produced rainfall rates exceeding 1 inch per 30 minutes. At 2000 CST an off duty NWS employee reported 2 feet of water over the roads in his neighborhood along the Bettendorf/Davenport city limits. By 2134 CST media and law enforcement were reporting water 4 inches deep was flowing into the Davenport Police Station on Harrison street. Numerous streets were closed due to high water; Harrison by the police station and River Drive in several spots. The media was reporting sinkholes developing on some streets in Davenport with some residences flooded. Although unknown at the time, the Federal Building in downtown Davenport had its basement partially flooded. Near the Oscar Mayer/Kraft plant, 2-3 feet of water was on second street while River Drive and 3rd street by the Quad City Times Newspaper had thigh deep water. The flash flooding in Davenport was exacerbated from winter debris blocking storm drains and therefore preventing or restricting the amount of water getting into storm sewers.

By 2230 CST, spotters and the media were reporting that flooding in downtown Davenport was beginning to recede. It is unknown how many buildings received water inside them but it is probably safe to say it was a few dozen. The flooding of the police station was caused by a police car blocking a storm sewer drain. A city engineer with Davenport concluded that this level of flooding was typical for a 15 to 20 year event.

KMLI ASOS reported 1.78 inches of rain for 12 March 2006 of which 1.66 inches fell during the 1800-2400 CST time period. At the same time, the KDVN ASOS reported 1.05 inches of rain for 12 March 2006. The heaviest rain occurred during the 1900-2300 CST time period in a narrow band in between the two ASOS sites. The highest know rainfall amount occurred in central Davenport where 3.50 inches of rain fell. The closeness of the heavy rainband to the KDVN 88D resulted in a severe underestimation of the rainfall. Rainfall estimates from the distant KILX and KLOT 88D sites indicate 3-4 inches of rain fell.



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					Killed	Injured	Property Crops	
<u>IOWA, East Central and Southeast</u>								
Washington County								
1.8 W Washington	12	2000CST			0	0	3K	Hail(1.00)
		just west of town						
Muscatine County								
.8 NW Muscatine	12	2009CST 2011CST			0	0		Hail(0.88)
		covered the ground						
Scott County								
Le Claire	12	2010CST			0	0		Hail(0.88)
		dime to nickel sized hail						
Washington County								
Brighton	12	2013CST			0	0		Hail(0.88)
		dime to nickel sized hail						
Muscatine County								
6 E Muscatine	12	2015CST			0	0		Hail(0.88)
Johnson County								
Lone Tree	12	2040CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
		dime size hail & heavy rain						
Johnson County								
Lone Tree	12	2040CST			0	0		Heavy Rain
		also dime sized hail						
Van Buren County								
2.8 N Farmington	12	2044CST 2045CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
		dime size hail						
Des Moines County								
Pleasantgrove	12	2055CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Jackson County								
Monmouth	12	2055CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
		dime size hail						
Van Buren County								
Birmingham	12	2056CST 2057CST			0	0	4K	Hail(1.00)
Jefferson County								
Countywide	12	2100CST 2115CST			0	0	5K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
		limbs down across the southern part of the county						
Jefferson County								
7 SE Fairfield	12	2100CST			0	0		Hail(0.88)
		penny to nickel sized hail						
Henry County								
Salem	12	2105CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Muscatine County								
Muscatine	12	2105CST 2244CST			0	0	10K	Heavy Rain

Heavy rain of unknown amounts fell in just under 2 hours in Muscatine. At the intersection of Leroy Street and Bidwell Road a 10 by 12 foot section of pavement buckled and sank 3-4 inches. There was a pre-existing crack in the pavement and water running down Leroy Street ran into the crack and scoured out the sub-roadbed



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					Killed	Injured	Property	Crops	
<b><u>IOWA, East Central and Southeast</u></b>									
<b>Henry County</b>									
Mt Pleasant	12	2112CST			0	0			Hail(0.88)
<b>Clinton County</b>									
Clinton	12	2118CST 2120CST			0	0	2K		Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
			Sign down. Transformer struck by lightning						
<b>Henry County</b>									
Hillsboro	12	2120CST			0	0			Hail(0.88)
<b>Van Buren County</b>									
Farmington	12	2125CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
			dime size hail						
<b>Benton County</b>									
Norway	12	2128CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
<b>Louisa County</b>									
Wapello	12	2128CST 2153CST			0	0			Heavy Rain
			moderate street flooding						
<b>Lee County</b>									
.7 ENE Viele	12	2130CST 2133CST			0	0	5K		Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
			An empty semi traveling south on U.S. 61 was hit by a wind gust just after going over a railroad overpass. The gust blew the semi into the ditch and turned it on its side.						
<b>Lee County</b>									
Ft Madison	12	2146CST			0	0			Hail(0.88)
<b>Des Moines County</b>									
Middletown	12	2149CST			0	0			Hail(0.88)
			Also heavy rain						
<b>Des Moines County</b>									
Middletown	12	2149CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
			estimated 60 mph gust						
<b>Des Moines County</b>									
Burlington	12	2150CST 2154CST			0	0	20K		Hail(1.75)
			Nickel to golfball sized hail; also reported by NWS personnel						
<b>Des Moines County</b>									
Burlington	12	2150CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
<b>Des Moines County</b>									
Burlington Arpt	12	2150CST			0	0	10K		Hail(1.75)
			NWS electronic technicians reported damage to KBRL ASOS during a scheduled maintenance in April. There was possibly some damage done to buildings and planes at the airport. Time estimated based on radar, observations, and other reports.						
<b>Des Moines County</b>									
2 E Mediapolis	12	2150CST 2151CST			0	0			Hail(0.88)
			just east of the city; also estimated 50 mph winds						
<b>Des Moines County</b>									
Burlington	12	2203CST			0	0			Heavy Rain
			minor street flooding on Madison Ave.						



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### IOWA, East Central and Southeast

#### **Buchanan County**

##### **Fairbank**

**13 0121CST** **0 0 5K** **Hail(1.00)**  
nickel to quarter sized hail; hail 1 inch deep on ground

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098>099**

**Keokuk - Washington - Louisa - Jefferson - Henry - Des Moines - Van Buren - Lee**

**21 0200CST** **0 0 16K** **Winter Weather**  
**1130CST**

Also from Co-op observers

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### MISSOURI, Northeast

**MOZ009>010**

**Scotland - Clark**

**01 0000CST** **0 0** **Drought**  
**31 2359CST**

The drought that began back in July 2005 and re-emerged in February 2006 continued through March 2006 but shrunk considerably in size and scope by the start of April 2006. This shrinkage was due to a persistent wet pattern that had set up during March 2006 and continued into April 2006. Since the growing season had yet to begin, the drought was essentially hydrologic in nature. A report of the hydrologic conditions is supplied by the service hydrologist.

#### **River Conditions**

Monthly stream flows for March averaged near normal (25th to 75th percentile) to below normal (10th to 24th percentile). All basins averaged below normal except for the lower Cedar-Iowa River basins and the entire Rock River basin, which averaged near normal.

Stream flows began the month with most locations reporting stream flows that were below normal (10th to 24th percentile) or much below normal (less than 10th percentile). A few locations reported near normal (25th to 75th percentile) conditions and one location reported a record low flow for the day. Stream flows gradually decreased until moderate rainfall fell on the 5th. On the 6th, stream flows began increasing in response to this rainfall. Stream flows then remained nearly steady or increased slightly through the 13th when most locations reported near normal conditions. Some locations reported below normal (10th to 24th percentile) flows while other locations reported above normal (76th to 90th percentile) flows.

Stream flows then gradually decreased into the late parts of the month but then rose on the last day of the month. On the 30th most locations reported below normal conditions while some locations reported near or much below normal flows. Moderate rainfall on the 30th resulted in flow increases on the 31st. On that day, half of the locations reported below or much below normal flows and



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### MISSOURI, Northeast

half of the locations reported near or above below normal flows.

Source: U.S. Geological Survey, WaterWatch Web site (<http://water.usgs.gov/waterwatch/>).

Drought

According to the U.S. Drought Monitor maps, minimal changes in the drought situation occurred during the month. Severe drought conditions (D2) continued to cover much of the HSA with moderate drought conditions (D1) across northwestern portions of the HSA.

<b>Scotland County</b> <b>Memphis</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1620CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>			<b>Hail(0.75)</b>
mainly pea size hail with some dime stones									
<b>Clark County</b> <b>Revere</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1820CST</b> <b>1824CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1K</b>		<b>Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)</b>
Branches a couple of inches in diameter down									
<b>Scotland County</b> <b>1 E Kilwinning</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2045CST</b> <b>2047CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3K</b>		<b>Hail(1.00)</b>
covered the ground									
<b>Scotland County</b> <b>2.1 NW Brock</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2053CST</b> <b>2056CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40K</b>		<b>Thunderstorm Wind (EG57)</b>
NWS survey noted two mobile homes flipped and destroyed at a nudist colony									
<b>Scotland County</b> <b>4.3 NW Brock</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2053CST</b> <b>2056CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1K</b>		<b>Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)</b>
NWS survey noted tree damage									
<b>Scotland County</b> <b>4 N Memphis</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2100CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6K</b>		<b>Hail(1.75)</b>
<b>Clark County</b> <b>4.5 WNW Anson</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2121CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>			<b>Hail(0.75)</b>
dime size hail									

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<b>Scotland County</b> <b>1.9 SW Arbela to</b> <b>1.9 SE Granger</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2102CST</b> <b>2108CST</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5K</b>		<b>Tornado (F0)</b>
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Rated high F0

Tornado touched down southwest of Arbela and damaged the roof of a farm house. Paralleling just to the south of U.S. 136, the tornado moved east 5.5 miles causing sporadic tree damage before entering Clark County 1.9 miles southeast of Granger or 3.2 miles west of Luray.



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		Local/ Standard	Length (Miles)	Width (Yards)	Killed	Injured	Property	Damage Crops	

### MISSOURI, Northeast

#### Clark County

3.2 W Luray to  
2.7 W Luray

12 2108CST 0.5 8 0 0 0.50K Tornado (F0)

Rated high F0

Tornado entered Clark County 3.2 miles west of Luray (or 1.9 miles southeast of Granger) from Scotland county just south of U.S. 136. After entering Clark County, the tornado traveled 0.5 miles paralleling U.S. 136 causing sporadic tree damage before dissipating.

#### MOZ009>010

#### Scotland - Clark

21 0100CST 0 0 4K Winter Weather

0800CST

Also from Co-op observers.

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#### Scotland County

Memphis

30 2108CST 0 0 10K Thunderstorm Wind (EG57)

2115CST

Several homes with siding partially removed. An older gas station had its roof partially removed.

A strong spring storm system produced two separate squall lines that moved through northern Missouri, southeast Iowa, and west central Illinois. The first squall line produced marginally severe winds in Hancock County south of Sutter. The second squall line produced severe winds in Scotland County at Memphis. Several reports of nonsevere thunderstorm winds of 43 to 48 knots (50 to 55 mph) were received from spotters or observed by AWOS/ASOS stations across northeast Missouri, southeast Iowa, and west central Illinois. Half inch hail was reported 2.5 miles south of Warsaw in Hancock County at 2152-2153 CST